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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please make the following amendment to the paragraph beginning on page 5 at line 5 and ending on page 5 at line 18:

Figure 1 illustrates a typical configuration of a computer system in which a hard disk unit 110 is utilized as a mass storage device of a host system 120. The host system 120 is preferably the motherboard of the computer system and typically includes a system bus 122 that connects one or more microprocessors, RAM, and possibly other components. The hard disk unit 110 typically includes a hard disk controller 112 that controls a disk 114. The disk 114 typically includes several platters of rotating magnetic media that are read from and written to by read and write heads (not illustrated). In the illustrated embodiment, the hard disk controller 112 is connected to the host system through an Advanced Technology Attachment (ATA) bus 116. The ATA bus 116 is in turn connected to the host system bus ~~[[112]]~~ 122 through an I/O bus bridge adapter 124. The adapter 124 serves as a bridge between the different protocols and technologies of the host system bus 122 and the ATA bus 116. Alternative technologies, such as SCSI, USB, or Firewire may also be used in place of the ATA bus 116.

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AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

The attached sheet of drawings includes changes to Figure 1. This sheet, which includes only Figure 1, replaces the original sheet including Figure 1.

In Figure 1, the numeric identifier "**124**" is added along with a lead line to identify the box labeled **I/O BUS BRIDGE ADAPTER**.

Also in Figure 1, the numeric identifier "**112**" proximate the line labeled **HOST SYSTEM BUS** is replaced with the correct numeric identifier "**122**."

Attachments: Replacement sheet showing revised Figure 1
Annotated sheet showing revisions to Figure 1